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For

: METHOD FOR REMOVING OXIDES AND COATINGS FROM A SUBSTRATE

Re: Request for Certificate of Correction

Consideration has been given your request for the issuance of a certificate of correction for the above-identified patent under the provisions of Rule 1.322.

Respecting the alleged error(s) in column 10 - line 23, after inspection of the patent application, it is revealed that the line is printed in accordance with the record; as you will find, with thorough research, the examiner's amendment pertains to the amendment dated 9/10/04, specifically, line 7 of claim 9 - of which, has been deleted. Claim 9 has two occurrences of the "or a polymer", on line 5 and line 7. The text on line 5 does not pertain to the text cited in the examiner's amendment. Hence, being no fault of the Patent and Trademark Office. no correction(s) is/are in order here under United States Codes (U.S.C.) 254 or 255 and the Code of Federal Regulation (C.F.R.) 1.322 or 1.323).

In view of the foregoing, your request is hereby denied.

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